MISSISSIPPI

CANCER BURDEN

In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,284,900 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 14,400 in Mississippi.
- 555,500 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 6,200 in Mississippi.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer deaths per 100,000 persons²

Mississippi: 227.3 National: 206.0

Mississippi ranks 5th highest overall in cancer mortality rates among the 50 states and Washington, D.C.

LUNG CANCER

In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 2,100 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Mississippi.
- 1,900 men and women will die of lung cancer in Mississippi.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for lung cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1995–1999³

	Mississippi	National
Overall	69.7	57.7
White	69.6	57.5
Black	70.3	67.8
Hispanic	-	23.4
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	29.0
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	36.2

BREAST CANCER

In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 2,200 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in Mississippi.
- 400 women will die of breast cancer in Mississippi.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for breast cancer deaths per 100,000 women, by race, 1995–1999³

	Mississippi	National
Overall	28.5	28.8
White	24.9	28.2
Black	37.2	37.1
Hispanic	-	17.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.0
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	15.0

COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,500 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Mississippi.
- 600 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in Mississippi.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for colorectal cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1995–1999³

	Mississippi	National
Overall	21.4	21.7
White	19.1	21.3
Black	27.6	29.0
Hispanic	-	12.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.3
American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e -	13.5

PROSTATE CANCER

In 2002, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 2,500 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in Mississippi.
- 400 men will die of prostate cancer in Mississippi.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for prostate cancer deaths per 100,000 men, by race, 1995–1999³

	Mississippi	National
Overall	46.0	33.9
White	32.4	31.2
Black	83.3	72.8
Hispanic	-	21.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	14.3
American Indian/Alaska Native	_	17.5

¹ Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2002. Estimates exclude more than a million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2002. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. State death totals were rounded to nearest 100.

² Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1995–1999. Death rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

³ Hyphens represent suppression of rates when there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.